AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)

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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the

application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1-17 (canceled).

(currently amended): A rolling bearing having outer and inner races and rolling 18.

elements which are rotatably put in between the outer and inner races, with a grease composition

sealed into the annular space formed by the rolling elements and the races, which is characterized

in that the grease composition comprises a base oil selected from a mineral oil and a synthetic

oil, a thickener selected from a diurea compound, and a pH adjustor for adjusting a hydrogen ion

exponent pH of the grease composition within a range of 7-to-135 to 9.6, the pH adjustor is

selected from an amine compound, an organic acid metal salt and an alkaline inorganic

substance, the amine compound is selected from primary to tertiary amines each hydrocarbon

group of which has 1 to 24 carbon atoms, the organic acid metal salt has a hydrocarbon chain

containing 6 to 24 carbon atoms, the alkaline inorganic substance is selected from a metal

hydroxide, a metal carbonate, and a metal borate, and the amount of the pH adjustor is 0.01 to

12% by weight based on the total amount of the grease composition.

(currently amended): A rolling bearing having outer and inner races and rolling 19.

elements which are rotatably put in between the outer and inner races, with a grease composition

sealed into the annular space formed by the rolling elements and the races, which is characterized

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in that the grease composition comprises a base oil selected from a mineral oil and a synthetic

oil, a thickener selected from a diurea compound, a reaction film-forming agent and a pH

adjustor, an amount of the reaction film-forming agent is 0.1 to 10 wt% based on the total

amount of the grease composition, the pH adjustor is selected from an amine compound, an

organic acid metal salt and an alkaline inorganic substance, the amine compound is selected from

primary to tertiary amines each hydrocarbon group of which has 1 to 24 carbon atoms, the

organic acid metal salt has a hydrocarbon chain containing 6 to 24 carbon atoms, the alkaline

inorganic substance is selected from a metal hydroxide, a metal carbonate, and a metal borate,

the pH adjustor adjusts a hydrogen ion exponent pH within a range of 5 to 135 to 9.6, and the

reaction film-forming agent is selected from dialkyldithiocarbamic acid compounds and

dialkyldithiophosphoric acid compounds.

20. (currently amended): A rolling bearing having outer and inner races and rolling

elements which are rotatably put in between the outer and inner races, with a grease composition

sealed into the annular space formed by the rolling elements and the races, which is characterized

in that the grease composition comprises a base oil selected from a mineral oil and a synthetic

oil, a thickener selected from a diurea compound, an inorganic compound having an average

particle size of 2 µm or smaller and a pH adjustor, an amount of the inorganic compound is

0.001 to 3 wt% based on the total amount of the grease composition, the pH adjustor is selected

from an amine compound, an organic acid metal salt and an alkaline inorganic substance, the

amine compound is selected from primary to tertiary amines each hydrocarbon group of which

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has 1 to 24 carbon atoms, the organic acid metal salt has a hydrocarbon chain containing 6 to 24

carbon atoms, the alkaline inorganic substance is selected from a metal hydroxide, a metal

carbonate, and a metal borate, the pH adjustor adjusts a hydrogen ion exponent pH in a range of

from 5 to 135 to 9.6, and the inorganic composition having an average particle size of 2 μm or

smaller is selected from SiO₂, Al₂O₃, MgO, TiO₂, PZT, ZnO, Mg(OH)₂, Al(OH)₃, Ca(OH)₂,

MgCO₃, CaCO₃, hydrates thereof, Si₃N₄, ZrN, CrN, TiAlN, SiC, TiC, WC, bentonite, smectite,

mica, diamond, MoS₂, graphite, BN and WS₂.

Claims 21. - 26. (canceled).

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